Douglasonille, Tex.,
Feb. 8th 1925.

Mr. J. S. Collier,
Ramsonille, Ga.

Dear Cos. Jno:-

I am here for only a few days - will go back to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday - there and at Tyler, I will spend most of my time until Spring opens -

First, wish to thank you for forwarding my letter of acknowledgement of having received The Xmas Card from Dunard, sent from Manchester England - I think it was perfectly grand that

he thought of his Texas Cousin while he was in England. The country of our ancestors — Her is very capable, I know, in that he is on such a big work as you wrote.

We have a nephew-in-law, a Virginian colonel man — who has made two trips to Europe — I laugh and tell him I did not know he was so smart as to do such a big work — By the way, he married a Miss Snipes, Mrs. Wilson's niece, and in some way they are related to a Mr. Noel Collier a travelling man from Ga. It has been years since Mr. Collier was here — but he visited in this Snipes family as a relation — The name Shelton comes in somewhere in the relationship — There are Colliers and Greenes every where — or nearly so — I see in my Harper's Magazine (Feb.) under head of "Among the New Books" is one, "American Homes of Today", and in this book, "among the notable homes pictured are those of — mentioning a long list and one is "Mrs. Robert L. Collier, Pickatum K. N. J." — There is a Mrs Charlie Greene in Mt. Pleasant

I did not meet him or any of his family - Dr. Mills says they are fine people; and as Mr. Wilson's sister once said when her son told her he "believed a Dr. McEachern at Canton was a cousin of the family," "wait until you find out how he stands before you go claiming kin." As it happens he stood well, and upon enquiry she found he was her cousin Tom McEachern of Cotton Valley Ala - Mr folks are funny creatures - When we can't find a suitable adjective to describe our object - or subject - we use "funny" - and the word is very expressive - describes any

thing, occasion or person - out of the usual way - from our view point

I've had a funny experience this past week, in the way of receiving a letter from a couple - middle age - to rent part of my home - Staid awake nearly all night trying to see if I could stand the idea, first - not the folks - and decided I could not - I said I would let the goblins get me ~~first~~ before I'd try to adapt myself to this - for We've always lived all over the house - I even had a whole closet for my dolls in our Ga. home -

The folks that I would

care to be with, own their homes
- in fact since the negro labor
has migrated to other places, growing
dissatisfied from the effects of the
boll-weevil - several of us are land
- poor - Land - land for crows to fly
over and to pay taxes - enormous -
ly - Several of the large farms
without a tennant - But we keep
on living and enjoying each other -
The citizenship of our little village
is changing since those early
plantation owners have passed away -
Bad will people are moving
in - many of them saying "I seen"
and "I taken" - almost an unpardonable
sin (do I hear you laugh)

If you should take a fancy this
year, wait until Spring makes the
vegetation come out and cover ugly
places - Tho we have beautiful scenery
around here. But when you strike
D - you will think you are a boy
again back on the Collier Old place -
Especially when you see the kerosene
lamps ~~lighted~~ ing - Several have
modern conveniences & light and water
works put in their homes in the

past few years -

All my children have pretty homes - Tom, in Tyler a handsome home - Nee with his wife and Thomas the 3rd spent Sunday with the balance of the family in Mt Pleasant - Tell my dear little cousins (Dunwoody's children) I enjoy their pictures to the utmost -

Will try to mail you pictures of some of our mutual kin to morrow -

Remember me lovingly to all - and please don't feel that you have to hasten to answer this random letter - while I am always glad to hear the news - Hope Dunwoody will have a safe journey home Sincerely Yours M. G. Wilson.